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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CON-VENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) and (d). The World Bank had submitted a report in November, 1989 entitled "Power Sector Efficiency Review", wherein several suggestions were made for improvement in the power situation. The main recommendations of the Banks covered restructuring of the State Electricity Boards, the Regional Electricity Boards and the Central Electricity Authority, improvement in system operating practices and the coal quality etc. In 1990 and 1991 the Bank undertook a comprehensive study on "Long Term Issues in the Power Sector". The Bank's report is awaited.

### Electronic Exchange in Bareilly.

- 473. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH: Will the Minister in COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 522 on April 19, 1990 and state:
- (a) the reasons for not commissioning Electronic Exchange at Bareilly; and
- (b) the time by which it is likely to be Commissioned?

DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b). A 4000 line electronic exchange (Remote Line Unit) along with 1000 line digital trunk automatic exchange (E 10 B) has been allotted to Bareilly. It is proposed to commission this electronic exchange at Bareilly during 1993-94. There has not been any change in the commissioning programme. This electronic exchange did not form part of the 50000 lines commissioning programme (actual commissioning 58170 (Net) lines) of 1990-91. Only

a 300 line expansion of electromechanical exchange was planned against which 1200 lines were commissioned on 9.3.1991.

# [Translation]

#### S.T.D. Facility at Haldwani/Bajpur

- 474. SHRI BALRAJ PASSI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government had granted approval to provide S.T.D. facility at Haldwani and Bajpur;
- (b) if so, whether this facility has since been provided to the residents of these areas;
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the time by which this facility is proposed to be provided?

DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Due to the non automatisation of Haldwani exchange and also non availability of transmission media for Bajour.
  - (d) By March, 1993.

#### Electronic Exchanges in Bihar

- 475. SHRI RAM TAHAL CH-OUDHARY: Will the Minister of COMMUNI-CATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) the total number of electronic exchanges in Bihar and the district-wise names of the system to whom these exchanges are attached;
  - (b) the number of telephone exchanges

which have been converted into electronic or C-Dot during last two years and the details thereof; and

(c) the number of old telephone exchanges which are likely to be converted into electronic telephone exchanges during Eighth Five Year Plan and the position of Ranchi district in Bihar in this regard?

DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The total number of electronic exchanges in Bihar are one

hundred eighteen (118). District-wise details of switchings systems are as per Statement -I.

- (b) Ninety seven electromechanical/ manual exchanges have been converted into electronic exchanges during last two years. Details are in Statement-2.
- (c) Two hundred sixty six electromechanical/manual exchanges are likely to be converted into electronic exchanges during the 8th Five Year Plan including seven exchanges in Ranchi district.

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Details of Electro Mechanical/Manual exchanges Converted into Electronic Exchanges

1.	Strowger Max I	-	2
2.	Strowger max II	-	3
3.	Strowger max III	-	70
4.	Manual Exchanges	-	22
	Total		9.7

## Acquiring of Disputed Land in Ayodhya

- 476. SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government have received any representation seeking its intervention to undo the steps taken by the Government of Uttar pradesh to acquire the disputed land concerning Babri Masjid-Ram Janam Bhumi In Ayodhya;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS-TRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). After the issue of notifications by the State Government of Uttar pradesh for the acquisition of land in the Ram Janma Bhooml - Babri Masjid complex at Ayodhya, several representations have been received by the Central Government to Intervene In the matter. The matter was taken up with the State Government. Subsequently it was also discussed at length in the meeting of the National Integration Council held on the 2nd November, 1991. The Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh gave a categorical assurance to the Council that all efforts would be made to find an amicable resolution of the issue, the Government of Uttar Pradesh would hold itself fully responsible for the protection of the Ram Janma Bhoomi- Babri Masjid structure, and the orders of the Court in regard to the land acquisition proceedings would be fully implemented.

# [English]

# Issuance of Entry Passes into Central Government Buildings

- 477. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the guidelines issued by the Government for issuance of entry passes Into Central Government buildings, on permanent basis to non-officials, businessmen/industrialists etc.:
- (b) whether permanent passes have been issued to certain business persons etc. notwithstanding, the guidelines of the Government;
- (c) if so, the names of persons who have been issued such passes over past one year; and
- (d) the reasons for issuance of such entry passes to these persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (d). No permanent passes are issued to non-officials. A limited number of passes valid for one year are, however, issued to those non-officials such as top industrialists, chief executives of important firms etc. Who are required to visit a specific Ministry or Ministries frequently in connection with their work subject to the fulfillment of